



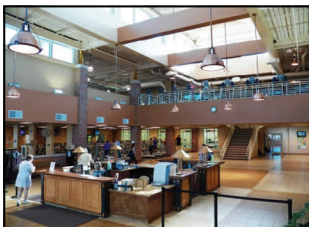
### YOUR HARRISONVILLE PARKS SYSTEM

- 451 acres of park land with 12 different park locations & approx. 5 miles of trails



- City Park has a total of 275 acres with an Outdoor Aquatic Center, 3 different lakes, a skate park, an amphitheater, 5 miles of trails, ten shelters, a 9-hole sand golf course, a paintball field, a Scout Camp, 4 tennis courts and a 4-goal basketball court.
- North Park offers 7 baseball/softball fields, 2 concession stands, soccer & football fields, a rodeo arena, a 6,000 square foot Activity Center and a Trap & Skeet Shooting Range nearby.

- The Harrisonville Community Center is a 68,000 square foot recreational facility offering an indoor pool, hot tub & sauna, 2 court gymnasium, walking track, fitness equipment, fitness & meeting/party rooms.



### PROPOSED BALLOT LANGUAGE

Shall the City of Harrisonville, Missouri be authorized to continue to impose a sales tax at a rate of one-quarter percent, currently scheduled to expire at the end of 2022, for the purpose of providing funds for the operation, maintenance, improvement, and expansion of Parks & Recreation amenities and services? This measure does not increase the existing sales tax.

**Sales Tax Renewal Question  
April 4, 2017**



**FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION  
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Welcome & Encouraged!**

# HARRISONVILLE PARKS & RECREATION SALES TAX RENEWAL VOTER INFORMATION



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# INVESTING IN THE FUTURE OF YOUR HARRISONVILLE PARKS

## About the Parks Sales Tax

In 2001, Harrisonville voters approved a 1/2 cent sales tax for parks & for the construction of the Community Center. After the Community Center debt is retired and paid in full at the end of 2022, 1/4 cent of this designated tax is scheduled to sunset.

## Financial Stewardship

- Parks & Recreation have been historically sound financial stewards of tax supported facilities
- Solid management of the Outdoor Pool Facility for nearly 20 years
- Strong operation of the Harrisonville Community Center facility for over 10 years

## Ongoing Efforts

- In order to continue to operate an outstanding system of parks and facilities, ongoing stewardship, repairs, maintenance and improvements are necessary.

## Vision for the Future

- Approve the continuation of the existing 1/4 cent sales tax for Parks, applying the revenue to capital development, maintenance and improvements to parks and recreation facilities & services.

## Frequently Asked Questions

### Is this a new tax?

No, this is **NOT** a new tax. There will be no increase in the amount of sales tax you currently pay. This is a continuation of the existing 1/4 cent sales tax for parks that was approved in 2001. The referendum, if approved by voters, would extend this designated tax beyond 2022 to support current parks operations and to fund future development projects.

### What are the advantages of a sales tax?

It is a funding source paid by everyone, not just local property owners. Visitors contribute towards projects that improve the quality of life for everyone.

### What did the Parks Department do with sales tax funds already collected?

These funds have been used to pay the Community Center bond payment and to fund current operations & maintenance.

### When would the extension of the existing 1/4 cent sales tax begin and how much would be collected?

If approved by voters, the extension would begin Jan. 1, 2023 with conservative estimates placing collections from the full 1/2 cent tax at \$900,000 annually with approximately \$250,000 available each year for capital projects throughout the parks system.

## Proposed Capital Projects

- Playground upgrades at area parks



- Dog Park & other highly requested amenities

- New trails that connect throughout the City for exercise and safe travel



- New shelters, benches, picnic tables & drinking fountains

- Updated ball fields, field lighting & concessions



- Facility upgrades & renovations to the Community Center & Outdoor Pool



- Upgraded Park landscaping throughout the City